

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Foreign Agents
Registration Section
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

SUPPLEMENTAL REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Pursuant to Section 2 of the Foreign Agents
Registration Act of 1938, as Amended

REGISTRATION No. 464

For Six Months Period Ending March 31, 1956
(Indefinite Date)

1. (a) Name of Registrant,
New York Bureau of the Telegraph Agency of the USSR (TASS)
(covering sub-Bureau in Washington, D.C.)

(b) All other names used by Registrant during the period.

None

(c) Address of principal office.

50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, N.Y.

(d) Name of person or persons in charge of principal office.

Leonid G. Velichansky, Acting Manager

3. If Registrant is a nonbusiness membership organization, state—

(a) Approximate number of members in the United States **Inapplicable**

(b) Approximate number of members outside the United States **Inapplicable**

4. (a) All persons who became partners, officers, directors, and similar officials of Registrant during the period.

Name and address
of official

Date connection began

Position, office, or nature
of duties

None

(b) All persons who ceased to be partners, officers, directors, or similar officials of Registrant during the period.

Name and address
of official

Date connection ended

Reason for ending
connection

None

5. (a) All branches and local units of Registrant and all other component or affiliated groups or organizations which began to operate during the period.

Name and address of branch, unit,
group, or organization

Nature of connection with
Registrant

Name and address of person
in charge

None

- (b) All branches and local units of Registrant and all other component or affiliated groups or organizations which ceased to operate during the period.

Name of branch, unit, group, or organization

Reason operations ceased

None

6. All persons who at any time during the period were foreign principals of Registrant.

Name and principal
address

Is person still a foreign principal
of Registrant?

If not, give date connection
ended

The Telegraph Agency of the U.S.S.R.

7. Describe fully all activities of Registrant during the period for or in the interests of each foreign principal named under item 6.

Gathering and transmitting American news and United Nations news to the U.S.S.R. Our news sources include: the despatches of American news agencies with which we have contractual relations (The Associated Press and the United Press); newspapers published in New York, Washington and various other cities of the United States and Latin America; magazines and other periodicals; press releases and reports issued by governmental and private agencies and institutions. In addition, our correspondents directly cover important press conferences, public meetings and other developments when circumstances and our resources permit. For instance, Tass correspondents cover the meetings of the United Nations Security Council and other United Nations bodies; our correspondents in Washington cover White House and State Department press conferences and important congressional debates, etc.

On the basis of these sources, we write our daily news reports. After the reports are written and edited, they are transmitted through the usual commercial communications channels. At the present time, almost our entire wordage goes through RCA. Occasionally when RCA communications are disrupted, we transmit via Press Wireless or Western Union. Besides our daily cable service we transmit mail articles on subjects of a less "spot" character. Our area of coverage includes Latin America as well as the United States and our reports about Latin America are based on the despatches of the American news agencies as well as on Latin American newspapers and periodicals.

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8. Describe briefly all other businesses, occupations, and public activities in which Registrant engaged during the period.

NONE

9. Furnish the following information as to all employees and other individuals except those named under item 4, who during the period rendered any services or assistance to Registrant, with or without compensation, for or in the interests of any foreign principal named under item 6:

(a) All such employees and other individuals for whom Exhibits A have previously been filed.

Name and address of employee or other individual	Nature of any changes during period in activities for Registrant or its foreign principals	Has connection with Registrant ended?
Kenneth Durant	East Jamaica, Vermont	None
Laurence Todd	4805 Langdrum Lane Chevy Chase, Maryland	Retired (on pension)
Leonid Velichansky	Hotel Orleans, 100 W. 80 St. NYC	No
Harry Freeman	22 E. 89 St., NYC	"
Esther Shields	127 W. 96 St., NYC	"
A. Delgado-Rodriguez	113 W. 96 St., NYC	"
Jerome Klein	129 W. 90 St., NYC	"
Sasha Lurie	345 Bleeker St., NYC	"
F. Van Wicklen	54 W. 74 St., NYC	"
Hays Jones	33 W. 76 St., NYC	"
Jessie Harris	45 Hawthorne St., Bklyn, NY	"
Nancy Bell	147 Ocean Avenue, Bklyn, NY	"
Rudolph Israel	135 Hamilton Place, NYC	"
Anatoly Savelliev	17 W. 64th St., NYC	"
Mikhail Lopoukhin	210 Riverside Drive, NYC	"
Vladimir Paramonov	1346 Park Row, Wash. D.C.	"
Mikhail Alyabyev	40 W. 84th St., NYC	"
Georgi Bolshakov	1315 Emerson St., Wash. D.C.	Returned USSR Oct/55

(b) All such employees and other individuals for whom Exhibits A have not been previously filed.

Name and address of employee or other individual	Nature of services or assistance rendered	Has connection with Registrant ended?
Harry Fisher	3930-52nd St., Woodside, LI - Teletypist	No
Ruth Fisher	3930-52nd St., Woodside, LI - Bkpr, Libr.	"
Charles Zimmerman	306 E. 78 St., N.Y.C. - Teletypist	"
Klava Gertsena	40 W. 84th St., NYC - Librarian	"
Vera Sumskoya	201 W. 79 St., NYC - Switchbd	"
Adelaide Gouk	1651 Newton St., NW, Wash. DC - Teletypist	"
Eugenia Kondakova	1760 Euclid St., NW, Wash. DC - Teletypist	"
Leonard Cohen	680 Riverside Drive, NYC - Teletypist	"
Rima Polonic	125 W. 75th St., NYC - Switchbd	Left Tass Oct/55

Filing of Exhibit A for all of the above names waived because they are clerical and nondiscretionary employees who are not engaged in writing, speaking, organizational or other political activities on behalf of Tass or otherwise.

10. Furnish the following information as to Registrant's receipts and expenditures during the period covered by this statement. The information may, if Registrant desires, be furnished for Registrant's latest semiannual fiscal period, provided the period covered is indicated and future statements are furnished on the same basis:

(a) All amounts received during the period directly or indirectly from each foreign principal named under item 6, itemized as follows:

Date funds received	Name of foreign principal from whom funds received	Purposes for which received	Amount received
Oct. 4, 1955	Telegraph Agency of USSR-Moscow	All operational expenditures	17,950.00
Oct. 26, 1955	"	"	20,000.00
Nov. 4, 1955	"	"	17,775.00
Nov. 30, 1955	"	"	2,100.00
Dec. 7, 1955	"	"	17,750.00
Dec. 30, 1955	"	"	10,000.00
Jan. 6, 1956	"	"	17,625.00
Feb. 1, 1956	"	"	17,500.00
Feb. 3, 1956	"	"	10,000.00
Mar. 2, 1956	"	"	17,500.00
Mar. 15, 1956	"	"	2,100.00

(b) All amounts received during the period from other sources to be used directly or indirectly for or in the interests of any foreign principal named under item 6, itemized as follows:

Date funds received	Name of person from whom received	Purposes for which received	Amount received
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NONE

(c) All expenditures made during the period directly or indirectly for or in the interests of each foreign principal named under item 6, itemized as follows:

Date payment was made	Name of person to whom payment was made	Purposes for which payment was made	Amount of payment
October 1, 1955 through March 31, 1956		Salaries, pensions and medical	68,119.75
		Rent, maintenance, books, subscriptions, supplies, equipment, and other office expenses and operating expenses	24,419.37
		RCA Communications, Western Union, Associated Press, United Press, Washington News Service, N.Y. Telephone Company, Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co., Federated Press and others	39,585.47

* Include all amounts so received, whether received as compensation, loans, contributions, subscriptions, fees, dues, subsidies, or otherwise.

* Receipts from or payments to a person amounting to less than \$200 for the period may be combined with other like amounts, provided the source or disposition of the funds, as the case may be, is clearly indicated.

* Where funds were received or paid, as the case may be, for various purposes, such purposes shall be listed in reasonable detail.

* Show separately the amount received or paid, as the case may be, for each purpose listed under the preceding column.

* Include all transfers of funds to any foreign principal.

11. (a) Speeches, lectures, talks, and radio broadcasts arranged or sponsored by Registrant or delivered by officials or employees of Registrant, during the period.

Name of person by
whom delivered

Number of speeches, lectures,
and talks delivered

Number of radio broadcasts
delivered

Inapplicable

- (b) Publications prepared or distributed by Registrant, or by others for Registrant, or in the preparation or distribution of which Registrant rendered any services or assistance, during the period. (Indicate each type of publication by an "X.")

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| (1) Press releases | (8) Circulars | (15) Lantern slides |
| (2) News bulletins | (9) Form letters | (16) Still pictures |
| (3) Newspapers | (10) Reprints | (17) Posters |
| (4) Articles | (11) Copies of speeches, lec-
tures, talks, or radio
broadcasts | (18) Photographs |
| (5) Books | (12) Radio programs | (19) Charts |
| (6) Magazines | (13) Radio scripts | (20) Maps |
| (7) Pamphlets | (14) Moving pictures | (21) Other publications |

Inapplicable

- (c) Preparation and distribution of publications referred to in answer to (b) above.

Description of
publication

By whom written, edited,
or prepared

By whom printed, produced,
or published

By whom
distributed

Inapplicable

- (d) Compliance with the filing, labeling, and reporting provisions of Section 4 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, and Rule 400 thereunder.

- (1) Were copies or summaries of all communications and publications referred to in answer to (a) and (b) above filed with the Department of Justice and the Librarian of Congress? If not, explain why copies or summaries of any such communications and publications were not filed.

Inapplicable

- (2) Were all such communications and publications labeled in accordance with Section 4 and Rule 400? If not, explain why any such communications and publications were not so labeled.

Inapplicable

- (3) Were reports of the delivery, distribution, or other dissemination of all such communications and publications made to the Department of Justice in accordance with Section 4 and Rule 400? If not, explain why any such reports were omitted.

Inapplicable

12. (a) Any changes during the period, not fully described above, in Registrant's affiliations, associations, or other connections with foreign governments, foreign political parties, or officials or agencies thereof.

*Name of government, party, or official,
or agency thereof*

*Nature of changes during period in Registrant's
connections therewith*

NONE

- (b) Any changes during the period in Registrant's pecuniary interest in or control over partnerships, corporations, associations, or other organizations or combinations of individuals.

*Name of organization or
combination*

*Nature of changes during period in
Registrant's ownership or other
pecuniary interest*

*Nature of changes during period in any
direction or control exercised
by Registrant*

NONE

13. (a) Any changes during the period in the ownership of or supervision, direction or control over Registrant by any organization, group, or individual.

*Name of organization, group,
or individual*

*Nature of changes during period in ownership,
supervision, direction, or control*

NONE

- (b) Any subsidy or other financial assistance received by Registrant during the period directly or indirectly from—

Any individual who is a citizen of, or resides in, a foreign country.

Any organization created in, or under the laws of, any foreign country or having its principal place of business in a foreign country.

Any foreign government or foreign political party, or any official or agency thereof.

*Name of person from whom subsidy or
financial assistance received*

*Nature and amount of subsidy or
financial assistance*

NONE (SEE ITEM 10A)

14. File the following exhibits with this statement:

Exhibit A.—File an Exhibit A, on the printed form provided therefor, for each of the following persons for whom an Exhibit A has not previously been filed:

- (a) All partners, officers, directors, and similar officials of Registrant. **Furnished**
- (b) All employees or other individuals who during the period rendered any services or assistance to Registrant, with or without compensation, for or in the interests of any foreign principal named under item 6. **See Item 9B**

Exhibit B.—File a copy of any changes during the period in the agreement, arrangement, or authorization (or if not in writing a written description thereof) pursuant to which Registrant is acting for, or receiving funds from, each foreign principal named under item 6. **Inapplicable**

Exhibit C.—File an Exhibit C, on the printed form provided therefor, for each foreign principal named under item 6 for whom an Exhibit C has not previously been filed. **Furnished**

Exhibit D.—If Registrant is a nonbusiness organization, file a copy of any changes during the period in its charter, constitution, bylaws, or other instruments of organization. **Inapplicable**

Exhibit E.—File a copy of the agreement or arrangement (or if not in writing, a written description thereof) between the Registrant and each business firm or other organization named under item 11 (c), and copies of all changes during the period in similar contracts previously filed. **Inapplicable**

The undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) that he has (they have) read the information set forth in this statement and the attached exhibits and that he is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to the truth or accuracy of the information contained in Exhibit A insofar as such information is not within his (their) personal knowledge.

(Type or print name under each signature)

Leonid G. Velfichansky
 Leonid G. Velfichansky

(Both copies of this statement shall be signed and sworn to before a notary public or other person authorized to administer oaths, by a majority of those partners, officers, directors, or persons performing similar functions who are in the United States. If no such person is in the United States, the statement shall be signed and sworn to by the duly authorized representative of the Registrant.)

(Signature)

(Signature)

(Signature)

Subscribed and sworn to before me at

New York, N. Y.

this *27th* day of *April*, 19*56*.

Alice Michnak

(Signature of notary or other officer)

ALICE MICHNAK
 NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NEW YORK
 No. 69-782800

My commission expires

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Qualified in Westchester County
 Cert. filed with New York Co. Clerk
 Term expires March 30, 1958

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continued:

We also transmit a commercial service, giving prices of grains, bristles, furs, etc., and other commercial and economic news. All of our news is transmitted to our home office in Moscow for distribution to TASS clients. We distribute nothing in the United States, except for supplying copies of our news messages to the Soviet Embassy in Washington and to the Delegation of the U.S.S.R. to the United Nations.